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As alſo the Proclamation Preparatory thereunto.

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EDINBURGH, the nineteenth day of *July*, 1681.

FOrasmuch as it hath pleased the *Kings* most excellent Majesty, to call a Parliament of this Kingdom to meet at Edinburgh, upon Thursday the twenty-eighth of July instant; His Royal Highness, His Majesties High Commissioner, and Lords of Privy Council, do hereby Command and Require the Lyon King at Armes, and his Brethren Heraulds, Messrs, and Pursevants, to pass to the Mercat-Cross of Edinburgh, and there, by open Proclamation, to Warn all the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, Officers of State, Commissioners of Shires and Burroughs, to convene at Holyrud-House, the said twenty-eighth of July, by nine of the Clock in the forenoon; the Lords furnished with their Gowns, Robes, Horses, and Footmantles; and the Commissioners of Shires and Burroughs, with their Horses and Footmantles, to attend His Royal Highness. His Majesties High Commissioner, on Horseback in his going to the Parliament House, and in his return. And to the end, it may be known who are to be admitted as Commissioners for Shires and Burroughs, that all Persons having Commission from any Shire or Burgh, deliver in their Commissions to the Clerks of Register, upon the twenty-fifth instant, in the forenoon, in the Parliament House, that accordingly they be admitted as Commissioners to this Parliament.

WIL. PATERSON, *Cl. Sti. Consilij.*

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The Manner and Order of the Proceſſion, and other things preparatory thereto, according to Cuſtome, in Riding to the Parliament Houſe at *Edinburgh* in *Scotland* on *Thurſday* the 28th of *July*, 1681.

1. THe Regiſter and Lyon King at Arms, meet and adjuſt the Roll of Parliament, and each of them take an exact Duplicate thereof.

2. His Majeſties Privy-Council ſome days before the Sitting of the Parliament, uſe to give Lyon King at Arms, ſuch Orders as are neceſſary to the orderly proceeding; eſpecially, to determine who ſhall carrie the Honours, *viz.* The Crown, Scepter and Sword, and uſually the Marqueſs of *Douglaſs* carried the Crown, the eldeſt Earl the Scepter, and the next the Sword.

3. The Citizens in Arms make a Lane from the Entry to the Parliament Cloſe, to the nether Bow, and the Kings Foot-Guards make a Lane from the nether Bow, to the Pallace.

4. It is always ordered, that there be no Shooting, under the higheſt Pains and Penalties all that day, neither diſplaying of Enſigns, nor beating of Drums, during the whole Cavalcade.

5. The Conſtable and Marſhall-Guards of Partizans muſt make the Lane from the Lady-Steps, the Conſtable without, and the Marſhal within the Dore.

6. There muſt be four conveniencies with eaſie Steps or Degrees, that the Members without difficulty may mount and diſmount, two above the Croſs, and two at the Abby.

7. Every Member of Parliament muſt Ride on Horſeback, and the abſent Members fined, conform to the Act of Parliament made 1663.

8. Where there be double Elections of Members, neither of them are to Ride, by Act of Council 1669.

9. The Officers of State not being Noblemen, muſt Ride in their Gowns.

10. The Nobility to Ride in their Robes and Foot-mantles, and the reſt with their Foot-mantles.

11. The whole Members to Ride Covered, excepting thoſe that carry the Honours.

12. Lyon King at Arms, the Heraulds, Purſevants and Trumpets to Ride immediately before the Honours, Lyon with his Coate and Robe, the reſt in their Coats and Foot-mantles bareheaded, conform to an Act in 1606.

13. The two Mace-Bearers of Councel and the four Mace-Bearers of Seſſion to Ride on each ſide of the Honours Bare-headed.

14. The higheſt of Degree, and the moſt honourable of that Degree to Ride laſt.

15. Every

XV. Every Duke to have Eight Lackeys; every Marqueſs, Six; every Earl, four; Every Viſcount, Three; every Lord, Three; every Commiſſioner for Shire, Two; every Commiſſioner for Burghs, One: Every Nobleman to have a Gentleman to hold up his Train, by Act of Councel in 1669. And they may have their Pages alſo, though not mentioned in that Act.

XVI. The two Archbiſhops are to have each of them Eight Lackeys; and every other Biſhop, three. And, if they pleaſe, they may have a Gentleman to hold up their Trains.

XVII. The Noblemens Lackeys to have over their Liveries ſhort Velvet Coats, with their Badges, Creſts, and Mottos done in Plate, or Embroidered, on the Back and Breaſt, as hath ever been the Cuſtom, and now to be obſerved, for the Decency and the Antiquity thereof.

XVIII. The High-Conſtable and the Mareſchal going to the Abby in the Morning, to receive the High Commiſſioner's Commands, and returning privately, the Conſtable comes out of his Lodging on Foot, and having viewed the Rooms, under and above, of the Parliament-Houſe, puts on his Robes, and being attended with his Friends, and having his Battoon in his Hand, ſeats himſelf in a Chair at the Entry of the Parliament, cloſe under the *Lady Stair*, by the outmoſt of the Guards; from which he riſes, and ſalutes the Commiſſioners as they alight from their Horſes, and recommends them to the Gentlemen of his Guards, to be conducted to the Mareſchal's Guards.

XIX. The Mareſchal alſo attends in his Robes, being ſet in a Chair at the Head of his Guards, and receives the Members (having his Battoon in his Hand) as they enter the Door.

XX. The Great Officers of State, ſo many of them as are within the Kingdom, ride up from the Abby, about half an hour before the Cavalcade, in their Robes, attended with their Friends on Horſeback, and wait within the Houſe; and when the Commiſſioner enters the Houſe, the Chancellor takes his own Purſe, and Uſhers him from the Bar to the Throne, except when the King is preſent, or that now His Royal Highneſs being Commiſſioner, the Chancellor receives him at the Door, and Uſhers him up to the Throne.

XXI. The whole Members of Parliament wait on the High Commiſſioner in the Guard-Hall, the Noblemen in their Robes; and their Servants and Horſes attend in the outward Cloſe.

XXII. The *Lyon* King at Arms, in his Coat and Robes, and Battoon in his Hand, to whose Charge the Order of the Proceſſion is committed, with the Six Heralds, Six Purſuivants, and Six Trumpets, in their Coats, attend there likewiſe.

XXIII. So ſoon as the High Commiſſioner is ready, the Regiſter and *Lyon* ſtanding together, each of them having a Roll in his Hand, and the Roll being read, the *Lyon* calls the Names of ſuch as are to ride, according to their Order, and a Herald crieth aloud at one of the Windows, and one other Herald ſtands at the Gate to ſee them do accordingly.

XXIV. The Members ought to ride as they are called; and if they think themſelves prejudiced, they muſt proceſs in ſuch manner, as at the calling of the Rolls in the Houſe it uſe.

XXV. The Dukes and Marqueſſes to make the Train, and ride after the Commiſſioner, by the Act of 1606.

XXVI. When the King is preſent, the Maſter of the Horſe rides eaſie, but a little aſide, by the ſame Act in 1606.

The whole Aſſembly being in the manner aforementioned met at the Abby, to convey his Royal Highneſs thence to the Parliament-Houſe, the Proceſſion begins in Order as followeth.

1 The Lord Chancellor and Lord Privy Seal, with all their Friends and Followers, being come up on Horſeback; the Chancellor on the Right Hand, with the Purſe and Mace born before him; and the Privy-Seal on the Left.

2 Two Trumpets, in their Coats, Bare-headed, } Uſher the Way.
Two Purſuivants, in their Coats, Bare-headed, }

3 The Commiſſioners from Burghs, Two and Two.

4 The Commiſſioners from Shires, Two and Two.

5 The Officers of State, not Noblemen, Two and Two.

6 The Lords and Barons of Parliament, Two and Two.

7 The Biſhops, Two and Two.

8 The Viſcounts, Two and Two.

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9 The Earls, Two and Two.

10 The Two Archbiſhops.

11 Four Trumpets, in their Coats, Bare-headed, Two and Two.

12 Four Purſuivants, in their Coats, Bare-headed, Two and Two.

13 Six Heralds, in their Coats, Bare-headed, Two and Two.

14 The Uſher, Bare-headed.

15 *Lyon* King at Arms, with his Coat, and Robes, and Foot-mantle, and his Bartoon in his Hand, Bare-headed.

16 The Sword of State.

17 The Scepter.

18 The Crown.

19 On each ſide the Honours, Three Mace-bearers, Bare-headed.

20 A Noble-man, Bare-headed, with a Purſe, and in it His Royal Highneſſes Commiſſion.

21 His Royal Highneſs, High Commiſſioner, attended with His Pages and Lackeys. The Duke of *Hamilton* with the Marquels of *Huntly* on His Right Hand, and the Marquels of *Montroſs* on his Left.

22 The Captain of His Majeſty's Guard, at the Head of his Troop.

And they return in the ſame Order back to the Palace; only the Conſtable and Mareſchal ride on the Commiſſioners Right and Left Hand, with Caps of Permiſſion; and that the Chancellor and Privy-Seal ſtay behind until all march away, and then return a little behind.

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9 The Earls, Two and Two.

10 The Two Archbishops.

11 Four Trumpets, in their Coats, Bare-headed, Two and Two.

12 Four Pursuivants, in their Coats, Bare-headed, Two and Two.

13 Six Heralds, in their Coats, Bare-headed, Two and Two.

14 The Usher, Bare-headed.

15 Lyon King at Arms, with his Coat, and Robes, and Foot-mantle, and his Batoon in his Hand, Bare-headed.

16 The Sword of State.

17 The Scepter.

18 The Crown.

19 On each side the Honours, Three Mace-bearers, Bare-headed.

20 A Noble-man, Bare-headed, with a Purse, and in it His Royal Highnesses Commission.

21 His Royal Highness, High Commissioner, attended with His Pages and Lackeys. The Duke of Hamilton with the Marquels of Hartly on His Right Hand, and the Marquels of Mourrofs on his Left.

22 The Captain of His Majesty's Guard, at the Head of his Troop.

And they return in the same Order back to the Palace; only the Constable and Marechal ride on the Commissioners Right and Left Hand, with Caps of Permission; and that the Chancellor and Privy-Seal stay behind until all march away, and then return a little behind.

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